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SUBJECT: US-USSR ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT: JOINT COMMITTEE
MEETING (02.00)

1. REQUEST EMBASSY PASS FOLLOWING LETTER DATED AUGUST
TO DR. IZRAEL WITH COPY TO KAZAKOV OF HYDROMET.
2. "AUGUST , 1977

DR. YURIY A. IZRAEL
CHIEF, MAIN ADMINISTRATION OF THE
HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL SERVICE
OF THE USSR
12 PAVLIK MOROZOV STREET
MOSCOW D-376, USSR

DEAR YURIY:

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THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE WARM AND GENEROUS HOSPI-
TALITY WHICH YOU, YOUR WIFE, AND YOUR COLLEAGUES PROVIDED
TO US DURING OUR STAY IN THE SOVIET UNION. IT WAS A REAL
PLEASURE TO PERSONALLY CONFIRM WHAT I HAD HEARD FROM RUSS
TRAIN AND OTHERS CONCERNING THE POSITIVE APPROACH WHICH
THE SOVIET SIDE HAS TOWARD THE PROFESSIONAL AND PERSONAL

RELATIONSHIPS WHICH HAVE DEVELOPED IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE US-USSR ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT.

I AM PARTICULARLY ENCOURAGED BY OUR SHARED CONVICTION THAT THE WORK OF THE AGREEMENT, WHICH HAS PRODUCED MANY VALUABLE RESULTS TO DATE, CAN BE FURTHER STRENGTHENED THROUGH BETTER DEFINITION OF PROJECT GOALS AND IMPLEMENTATION, AS WELL AS IMPROVED ACCESS TO APPROPRIATE PERSONNEL, FACILITIES, AND ADVANCED WORK BEING DONE IN EACH COUNTRY. PIERRE SHOSTAL WILL BE WORKING VERY CLOSELY WITH YURIY KAZAKOV ALONG THESE LINES AS THEY PREPARE FOR THE SIXTH ANNUAL JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING THIS FALL.

FROM OUR VIEWPOINT, THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 14-18 WOULD BE BEST FOR THE JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING, SINCE IT FITS NEATLY BETWEEN THIS YEAR'S SPECIAL CELEBRATION OF THE OCTOBER REVOLUTION AND OUR OWN THANKSGIVING DAY. WE COULD THEN ARRANGE RELEVANT VISITS FOR YOU IN THE FOLLOWING WEEK. IF YOU WOULD CONFIRM THESE DATES, PIERRE AND YURIY CAN THEN PROCEED WITH THE SPECIFIC PLANNING.

DURING OUR VISIT, THERE WERE MANY, MANY PEOPLE WHO DID SO MUCH TO MAKE US FEEL WELCOME AND PROVIDE A TRULY MEMORABLE EXPERIENCE. TO THOSE WHO MET WITH US OUTSIDE OF MOSCOW, I AM WRITING SEPARATE LETTERS. FOR THE PROJECT REPRESENTATIVES, I AM ENCLOSING INDIVIDUAL LETTERS WHICH I UNCLASSIFIED

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WOULD ASK THAT YOU PASS ON TO THEM. FOR YOUR OWN STAFF, YURIY KAZAKOV, VADIM NOVOZHILOV, IGOR CHIRCHENKO, YURIY STARIKOV, AND SLAVA SIPAKOV, I WOULD ASK THAT YOU CONVEY TO THEM MY WARM APPRECIATION FOR THEIR EFFORTS. THE VISITS TO THE KREMLIN AND ZAGORSK, BETSY'S VISITS TO NUMEROUS INTERESTING PLACES, THE EXCURSION TO PAVLOVSK AND PETRODVORETS, THE EVENING AT THE KIROV, ALL THESE WERE MUCH APPRECIATED BY US.

I LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR VISIT THIS FALL, TO OUR CONTINUING WORK IN INCREASING THE BENEFITS WHICH OUR COUNTRIES DERIVE FROM THE AGREEMENT, AND TO THE DEEPENING OF OUR PERSONAL FRIENDSHIP.

SINCERELY YOURS,

DOUGLAS M. COSTLE

CC: YU. KAZAKOV"

3. ORIGINALS OF THIS LETTER AND LETTERS TO PROJECT REPRESENTATIVES BEING POUCHED. CHRISTOPHER

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